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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

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Hon. Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated June 19, 2000. A petition for a five-month extension of time is enclosed herewith. In response, entry of the following amendments and consideration of the following remarks is respectfully requested.

In the Specification

1) At page 4, lines 3 through 24, please replace the paragraph with the following:

C-type lectin receptor-like polypeptide (SEQ ID NO: 4) is approximately a 234-amino acid protein with a predicted molecular mass of approximately 26 kDa unglycosylated. Protein database searches with the BLAST algorithm indicate that the SEQ ID NO: 4 is homologous to mouse macrophage C-type lectin receptor, human dendritic cell immunoreceptor DCIR, human C-type lectin receptor DDB27, and mouse C-type lectin receptor. Figure 1 shows the BLASTP